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5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
6 EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

7 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
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9 Plaintiff,

10 vs.

11 KRISTOPHER PAUL WISE (1),  
12 ALICIA K. SEESE (2),  
13 MARK A. ARMSTEAD (3),  
14 SAMANTHA GHAN (4),  
15 COURTNEY JEANETTE CONNORS  
16 (5), and TRISTEN J. BOAK (6),  
17 Defendants.

2:18-CR-0115-TOR-1-6

Protective Order Regulating  
Disclosure of Discovery and  
Sensitive Information Contained  
Therein

18 The United States of America, having applied to this Court for a protective order  
19 regulating disclosure of the discovery materials and the confidential information  
20 contained therein (the “Discovery”) to defense counsel in connection with the  
21 Government’s discovery obligations, and the Court finding good cause therefore, **IT IS**  
22 **HEREBY ORDERED:**

23 1. The United States’ Motion for Protective Order Regulating Disclosure of  
24 Discovery (ECF No. 40) is **GRANTED**.

25 2. In an effort to provide for the efficient transfer and review of discovery, the  
26 United States may disclose the discovery and sensitive information materials (hereinafter  
27 “Discovery”) to David Miller, the attorney appointed to represent TRISTEN J. BOAK  
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1 (6), the Federal Defenders of Eastern Washington and Idaho, the attorney appointed to  
2 represent ALICIA K. SEESE (2), John Loeffler, the attorney appointed to represent  
3 KRISTOPHER PAUL WISE and counsel, either retained or appointed, of the remaining  
4 defendants upon their arrest.

5 3. Government personnel and counsel for KRISTOPHER PAUL WISE,  
6 ALICIA K. SEESE, MARK A. ARMSTEAD, SAMANTHA GHAN, COURTNEY  
7 JEANETTE CONNORS, and TRISTEN J. BOAK, shall not provide, or make available,  
8 the sensitive information in the Discovery to any person except as specified in the Order  
9 or by approval from this court. Counsel for KRISTOPHER PAUL WISE, ALICIA K.  
10 SEESE, MARK A. ARMSTEAD, SAMANTHA GHAN, COURTNEY JEANETTE  
11 CONNORS, and TRISTEN J. BOAK, and the Government shall restrict access to the  
12 Discovery, and shall only disclose the sensitive information in the Discovery to their  
13 client, office staff, investigators, independent paralegals, necessary third-party vendors,  
14 consultants, and/or anticipated fact or expert witnesses to the extent that defense counsel  
15 believes is necessary to assist in the defense of their client in this matter or that the  
16 Government believes is necessary in the investigation and prosecution of this matter. No  
17 copies of discovery shall be left with their client.

18 4. Third parties contracted by the United States or counsel for KRISTOPHER  
19 PAUL WISE, ALICIA K. SEESE, MARK A. ARMSTEAD, SAMANTHA GHAN,  
20 COURTNEY JEANETTE CONNORS, and TRISTEN J. BOAK, to provide expert  
21 analysis or testimony may possess and inspect the sensitive information in the Discovery,  
22 but only as necessary to perform their case-related duties or responsibilities in this matter.  
23 At all times, third parties shall be subject to the terms of the Order.

24 5. Discovery in this matter will be available to defense counsel via access to a  
25 case file on USA File Exchange. If necessary to review discovery with their respective  
26 clients, defense counsel may download the discovery and duplicate only once. Discovery  
27 materials may not be left in the possession of KRISTOPHER PAUL WISE, ALICIA K.  
28 SEESE, MARK A. ARMSTEAD, SAMANTHA GHAN, COURTNEY JEANETTE

1 CONNORS, and TRISTEN J. BOAK. In order to provide discovery to a necessary third-  
2 party vendor, consultant, and/or anticipated fact or expert witness, counsel for  
3 KRISTOPHER PAUL WISE, ALICIA K. SEESE, MARK A. ARMSTEAD,  
4 SAMANTHA GHAN, COURTNEY JEANETTE CONNORS, and TRISTEN J. BOAK  
5 may duplicate the discovery only once. No other copies may be made, by defense  
6 counsel or the defendants, without prior approval from this Court.

7 6. All counsel of record in this matter, including counsel for the United States,  
8 shall ensure that any party, including the Defendant, that obtains access to the Discovery,  
9 is provided a copy of this Order. No other party that obtains access to or possession of  
10 the Discovery containing sensitive information shall retain such access to or possession  
11 of the Discovery containing sensitive information shall retain such access to or  
12 possession unless authorized by this Order, nor further disseminate such Discovery  
13 expect as authorized by this Order or the further Order of this court. Any other party that  
14 obtains access to, or possession of, the Discovery containing discovery information once  
15 the other party no longer requires access to or possession of such Discovery shall  
16 promptly destroy or return the Discovery once access to Discovery is no longer  
17 necessary. For purposes of this Order, "other party" is any person other than appointed  
18 counsel for the United States or counsel for KRISTOPHER PAUL WISE, ALICIA K.  
19 SEESE, MARK A. ARMSTEAD, SAMANTHA GHAN, COURTNEY JEANETTE  
20 CONNORS, and TRISTEN J. BOAK.

21 7. All counsel of record, including counsel for the United States, shall keep a  
22 list of the identity of each person to whom the Discovery containing sensitive information  
23 is disclosed and who was advised of the requirements of this Order. Neither counsel for  
24 KRISTOPHER PAUL WISE, ALICIA K. SEESE, MARK A. ARMSTEAD,  
25 SAMANTHA GHAN, COURTNEY JEANETTE CONNORS, and TRISTEN J. BOAK  
26 nor counsel for the United States shall be required to disclose this list of persons unless  
27 ordered to do so by the court.  
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1           8.       Upon entry of a final order of the court in this matter and conclusion of any  
2 direct appeals, government personnel and counsel for KRISTOPHER PAUL WISE,  
3 ALICIA K. SEESE, MARK A. ARMSTEAD, SAMANTHA GHAN, COURTNEY  
4 JEANETTE CONNORS, and TRISTEN J. BOAK shall retrieve and destroy all copies of  
5 the Discovery containing sensitive information, except that counsel and government  
6 personnel may maintain copies in their closed files following their customary procedures.

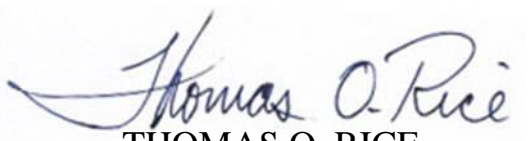
7           9.       Government personnel and counsel for KRISTOPHER PAUL WISE,  
8 ALICIA K. SEESE, MARK A. ARMSTEAD, SAMANTHA GHAN, COURTNEY  
9 JEANETTE CONNORS, and TRISTEN J. BOAK shall promptly report to the Court any  
10 known violations of this Order.

11          10.      The proposed Protective Order submitted by the Government only applies to  
12 “sensitive information.”

13          **IT IS SO ORDERED.** The District Court Clerk is hereby directed to enter this  
14 Order and provide copies to counsel.

15          DATED July 19, 2018.



  
THOMAS O. RICE  
Chief United States District Judge